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NEETS BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA ROTATIONAL FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

Ketchikan. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information in cooperation with the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association concerning the troll fishery and the rotational drift gillnet and purse seine fisheries in the Neets Bay terminal harvest area (THA).

The following rotational fishery schedule and area description will be in effect from 12:00 noon, Monday, September 24, 2012, unless changed by subsequent announcement:

The Neets Bay terminal harvest area will be open east of the longitude of the easternmost tip of Bug Island and west of the barrier net at the head of the bay. The barrier net extends from approximately 55°47.22' N. latitude, 131°29.37' W. longitude to 55°47.08' N. latitude, 131°30.18' W. longitude.

Purse Seine:

12:00 noon, Monday, September 24, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, September 25, 2012;
12:00 noon, Friday, September 28, through 12:00 noon, Saturday, September 29, 2012;
12:00 noon, Tuesday, October 2, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, October 3, 2012;

Drift Gillnet:

12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 27, 2012;
12:00 noon, Sunday, September 30, through 12:00 noon, Monday, October 1, 2012;
12:00 noon, Thursday, October 4, through 12:00 noon, Friday, October 5, 2012.

Troll will remain open on a continual basis in the Neets Bay terminal harvest area however, effective 12:00 noon, Monday, September 24; the open area will be expanded to include the area listed above.

Effective 12:00 noon, Saturday, October 6, 2012, the Neets Bay terminal harvest area will be open to the harvest of salmon concurrently by troll, drift gillnet, and purse seine gear. The Neets Bay terminal harvest area will close for the season to all gear groups at 12:00 noon, Saturday, November 10, 2012.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E2112.

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